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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

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19. (once amended) A fuse in accordance with Claim 18 said fuse body further comprising a guide portion intermediate said positioning portion and said clearing portion, wherein said guide portion extends for a third length, said third length less than said first length.

Remarks

The Office Action mailed November 6, 2002, has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing amendment has been made in consequence thereof.

Claims 1-20 are now pending in this application. Claims 1-20 stand rejected.

The rejection of Claims 19 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 is respectfully traversed. Claim 19 has been amended to address the issues noted in the Office Action.